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1. Chinese Communist troops in Hengyang (112-35, 26-56) constitute the 136, 137, and 138 Divisions of the 46 Army, and the 393 Regiment of the 130 Division of the 40 Army. The artillery regiment of the 46 Army, equipped with about 30 guns, is deployed at Ch'uanch'i (112-44, 26-52), on the north bank of the Lei (来) River.
2. Two battalions of the Railway Guard Corps are deployed in railway stations of the Canton-Hankow and the Hunan-Kwangsi Railways. About 700 men of the Hunan Liberation Raiding Column are deployed in the neighborhood of the West Railway Station, Hengyang.
3. About 2,000 men of the 2 Brigade, Hunan Provincial Public Safety Corps are deployed in Hengyang city and its eastern outskirts. The 1 and 2 Battalions of the Hengyang Public Safety Bureau are deployed in the city to carry out police duties.
4. Local garrison troops are deployed as follows:
 - a. One company at the East Railway Station.
 - b. One company on the premises of 85 Hsiangpei (湘北) Road.
 - c. Two companies in the vicinity of Wangchia (王家) Wharf, Liaochia (廖家) Wharf, and Yent'ien (盐店) Wharf.
 - d. One battalion in the vicinity of the Supplies Control Bureau about 4 li to the south of the East Railway Station.
 - e. One company on Yenchiang (沿江) Road, West.
 - f. One company on the premises of 85 Huanch'ong (环城) Road, South.

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- g. One company on the premises of 60 Chiehfang (解放) Road and another company at 174 Chiehfang Road.
 - h. Two companies on the premises of 60 Jenmin (人民) Road.
 - i. One company at Chaoyang (朝陽) Lane of Chunyang (蒸陽) Road.
 - j. One company at Chiehlungshan (接龍山).
 - k. Two companies at the West Railway Station.
5. One battalion of the 46 Army is deployed in the vicinity of the local airfield.

Air Information

- 6. The airfield at Hengyang is on a hill to the east of the railway about 5 li to the northeast of the East Railway Station. The repair and reconstruction of the airfield was started in May 1950, and many engineering troops and conscripted laborers are employed on the project. At the present time the field has four runways, newly-built hangars, night flying equipment, meteorological and wireless installations, a gasoline dump, and a repair shop.
- 7. In December there were about 20 aircraft at the field and training flights were seldom observed. A part of the airfield has been fenced with barbed wire and sentry posts are established around it.
- 8. No Soviet personnel have been seen traveling to and from the airfield.
- 9. Twenty air force personnel, the 2 Company of the Air Defense Corps, and the 2 Battalion of the local Air Defense Corps are stationed at the airfield. The 3 Battalion of the local Air Defense Corps is deployed in the vicinity of the warehouse in a suburb outside the East City Gate and the 4 Battalion is deployed inside the West City Gate on the premises of the Hengyang Municipal Government.
- 10. On the hills to the south of the airfield, there are about 20 air-raid shelters, each of which can accommodate from 50 to 60 men. Air-raid shelters are under construction at Shihhushan (石虎山) outside of the North City Gate, and on other hills near Hengyang. There is an anti-aircraft guns site 600 yards to the east and one at the same distance west of the airfield.

Defense Constructions

- 11. Two types of defense works have been constructed on hills on both sides of the Changsha-Hengyang Road to the west of the Hsiang (湘) River and to the north of the Chun (蒸) River. They are:
 - a. Scattered trenches which have been dug on each hill outside of the North City Gate.
 - b. Long trenches dug near the center of the hills, such as Sungling (松嶺) and Shihhuling (石虎嶺).
- 12. Cement pill-boxes have been constructed along the west bank of the Hsiang River. Pill-boxes have been built in the area to the north of the East Railway station.

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Transportation

13. The Supply Department of the Central and South China Military Area Headquarters has established a branch office at Hengyang to control supplies and provisions for troops in transit on the Canton-Hankow Railway.
14. Trains are made available for the Canton-Hankow and the Hunan-Kwangsi Railways by the Hengyang Branch of the Canton-Hankow Railway Administration. Motor transport in Hengyang includes the following:
 - a. About 100 trucks of the 1 Battalion of the 2 Hunan Military Transportation Corps of the Central and South China Military Area Headquarters.
 - b. An undetermined number of trucks of the Communications Battalion of the Hunan Roads Administration.
 - c. About 40 trucks of the Transport Battalion of the Hengyang Municipal Government.
 - d. About 80 trucks of the 4 Field Army.
15. Supplies arriving from Canton are sent directly north, but supplies destined for Szechuan, Kweichow, and Kwangsi Provinces, are discharged at Hengyang for transshipment. These supplies are largely sent by the Hengyang-Paoching (sic) road. The newly built warehouses at the West City Gate and the West Railway Station are fully packed. About 30 new warehouses have been built outside of the East City Gate. Materials and supplies requisitioned in Hunan are stored in the warehouses on the wharf of the Canton-Hankow Railway and near 750 Yenchiang Road West, and a small portion is stored in the warehouse near the West Railway Station.
16. Supplies which are sent to Kwangsi consist largely of rails, iron plates, machinery, ammunition, and trucks. Supplies sent from Kwangsi to the north are usually mineral ores, food, and timber. Supplies which are sent from Canton to Wuchang, Hankow, and Shanghai consist largely of gasoline, metals, foreign medicines, and timber. Supplies which are sent south consist largely of cloth and cotton yarns. More supplies are sent north than south.
17. Because of guerrilla activities on the waterways, military transportation is largely conducted by land. Steamers and ferry boats are largely run by merchants who are controlled by the Hengyang Branch of the South Hunan River Control Bureau of the Hunan River Control Bureau.

Government Organizations in Hengyang

18. Government organizations in Hengyang are as follows:
 - a. The Hunan Provincial People's Government is at Shangyang (向陽) Lane on Chungshan Road, South. WANG Shou-tao (王首道) is the governor.
 - b. The Military Control Commission is in the premises of 404 Chungshan Road, North. LI Chung-chuan (李中權) is the chairman and MAO Yuan-yao (毛遠耀) the vice-chairman.
 - c. The Hengyang Municipal People's Government is in the vicinity of 404 Chungshan Road, North. MAO Yuan-yao is the mayor and CH'EN Wei-ching (陳維清) the deputy mayor.
 - d. The Garrison Headquarters is in the premises of 142 Changsheng (常勝) Road. YANG Mei-sheng is the commander and MAO Yuan-yao the political commissar.

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- e. The Hengyang Public Safety Bureau is in the premises of 283 Chungshan Road North.
- f. KUO Wei-ch'eng (郭維城) was appointed by the Central and South China Military Area Headquarters as railway commander of Hengyang. WANG Ming-luei (王明貴) and YANG Tzu-hua (楊子華) are deputy commanders.

Security Measures

- 19. There are about 50 trainees at the training center of the Canton-Hankow Railway at Tahsi (大西) Road, Hengyang. A Hunan Land Reform Cadres Training Center is in the former premises of the Hengyang Hsien Government. There is a Municipal Cadres Training Center in the premises of the local municipal government. The Central and South China Military Area Headquarters has an intelligence agents training center in Hengyang.
 - 20. The maintenance of law and order has been good, but the local population is living under some apprehension because of the large number of Communist informers in the city. The executions of criminals have occurred frequently and within a month after the introduction of the winter defense period, about 500 persons were detained.
 - 21. Local government organizations are intensifying their "Anti-American, Aid to Korea, and Join the Army" campaigns. The people are forced to attend these meetings; students and laborers appear to be the most enthusiastic.
- * Comment. The 136 Division was reported in Canton in December 1950 and the 130 and 136 Divisions were reported in Kwangsi 50X1-HUM in November 1950

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